

# Where is the Narrow Neck of Land?

THE **BOOK OF MORMON**  
 AND A **WORD OF GOD**  
 IS THE **REAL HISTORY OF A REAL PEOPLE!**

## THE BOOK OF MORMON IN NORTH AMERICA

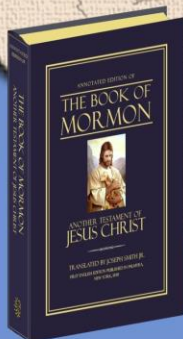
- THE "HILL CUMORAH" IS ONLY IN MANCHESTER, NY
- THE "PLAINS OF THE NEPHITES" ARE IN IL, IN, & OH
- ZELPH'S MOUND IS NEAR VALLEY CITY, IL
- ZARAHEMLA IS NEAR NAUVOO AT MONTROSE, IA
- THE GARDEN OF EDEN WAS IN INDEPENDENCE, MO
- NEW JERUSALEM TO BE CENTERED AT INDEPENDENCE, MO
- ADAM-ONDI-AHMAN IS IN DAVIESS COUNTY, MO
- MANTI POSSIBLY IN RANDOLPH, HUNTSVILLE, MO



### THREE NECKS

- ① NARROW NECK OF LAND Ether 10:20
- ② NARROW NECK Alma 63:5
- ③ SMALL NECK OF LAND Alma 22:32

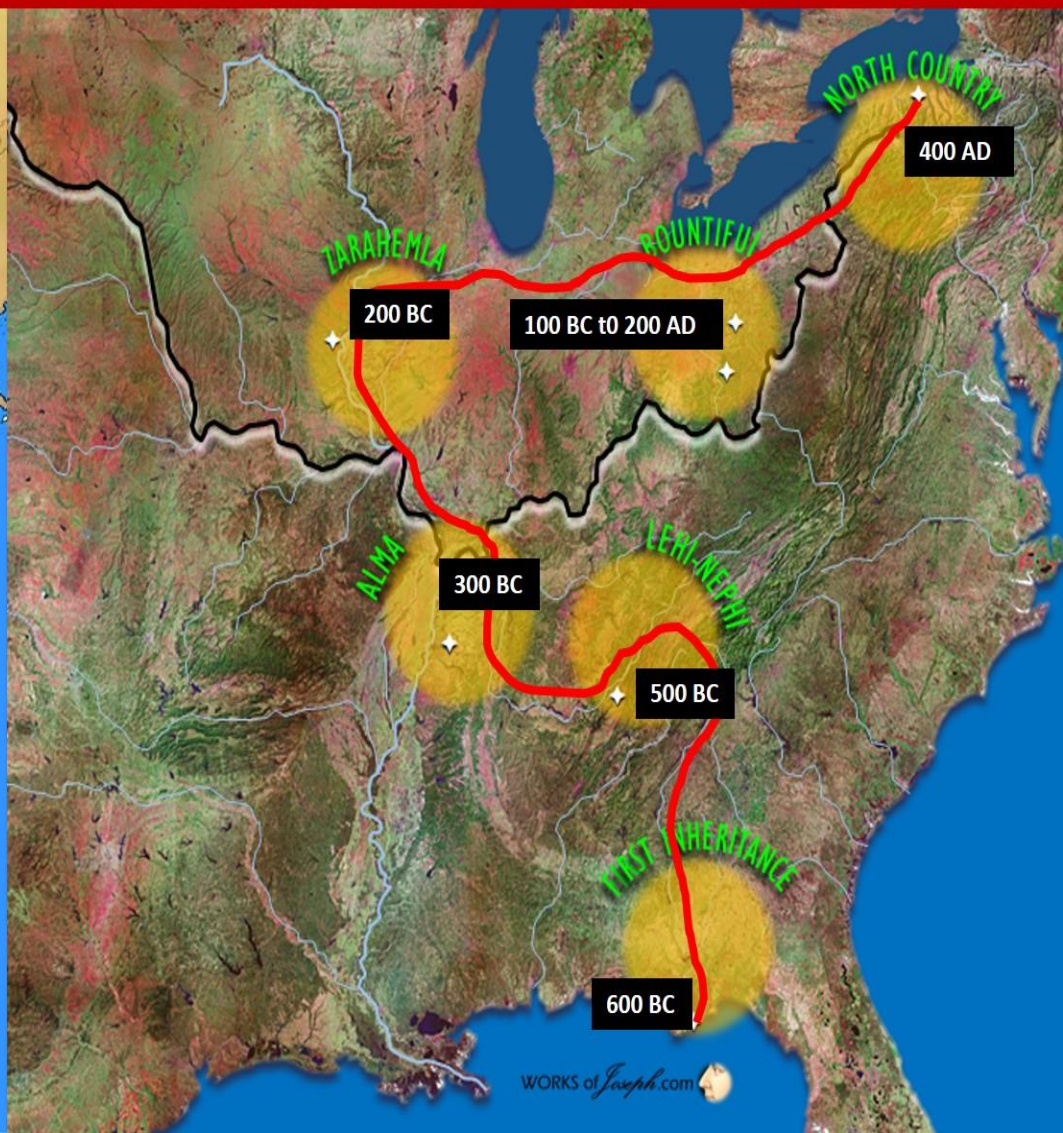
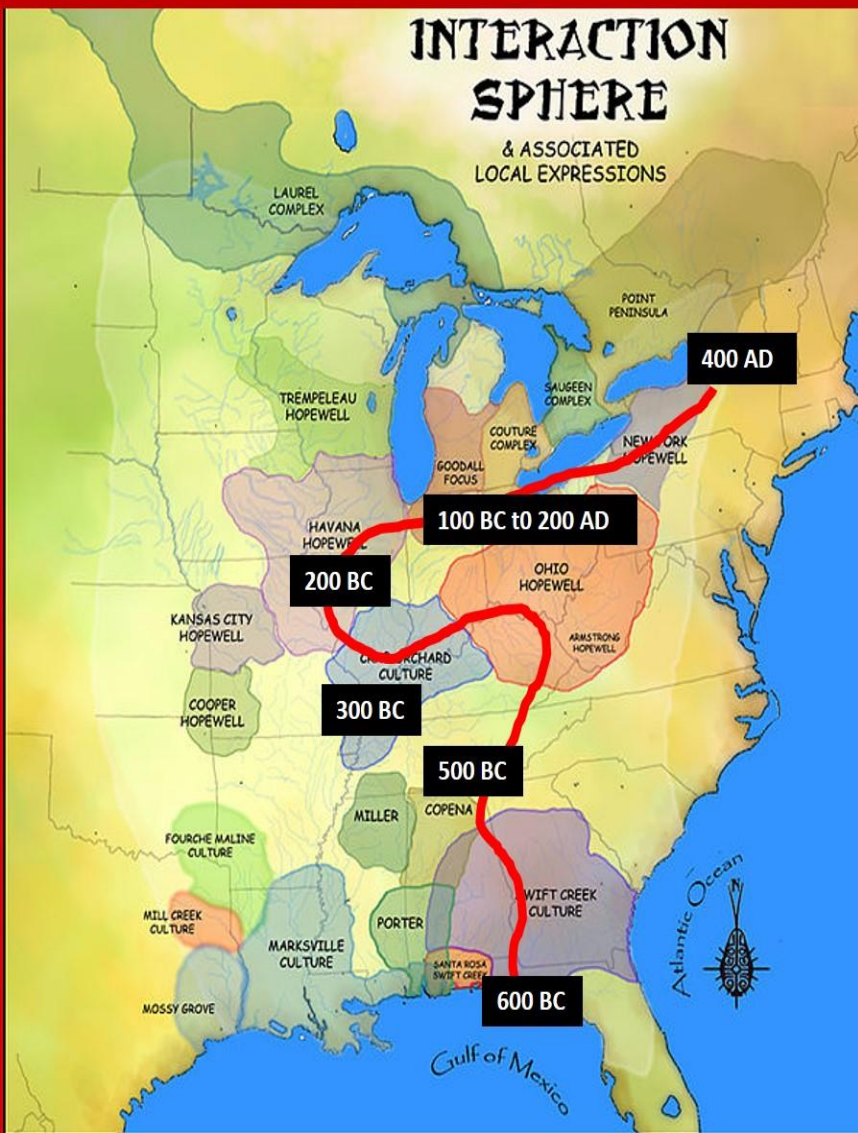
■ OVERALL LAND NORTHWARD (NEPHITES)  
 ■ OVERALL LAND SOUTHWARD (LAMANITES)  
 BORDER MISSOURI, OHIO, ALLEGHENY RIVER



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# MOUND EXPLORATIONS

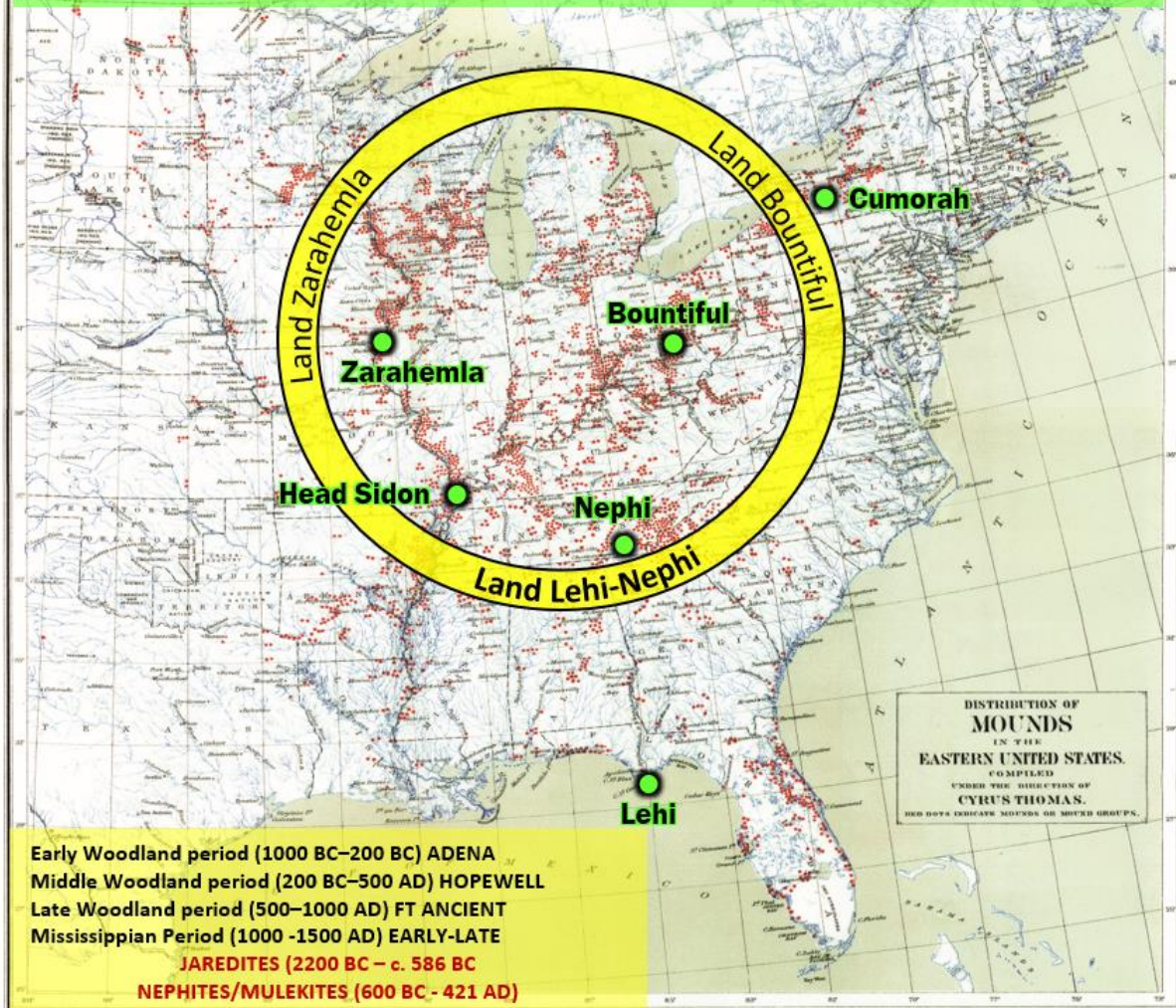
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“...OVER 1,000,000 MOUNDS ONCE EXISTED...PERHAPS 100,000 STILL EXIST.”

GREGORY L. LITTLE, ED.D., THE ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPEDIA OF  
NATIVE AMERICAN MOUNDS & EARTHWORKS, EAGLE WING BOOKS, INC., MEMPHIS, TN [2009].



CYRUS THOMAS, 1894

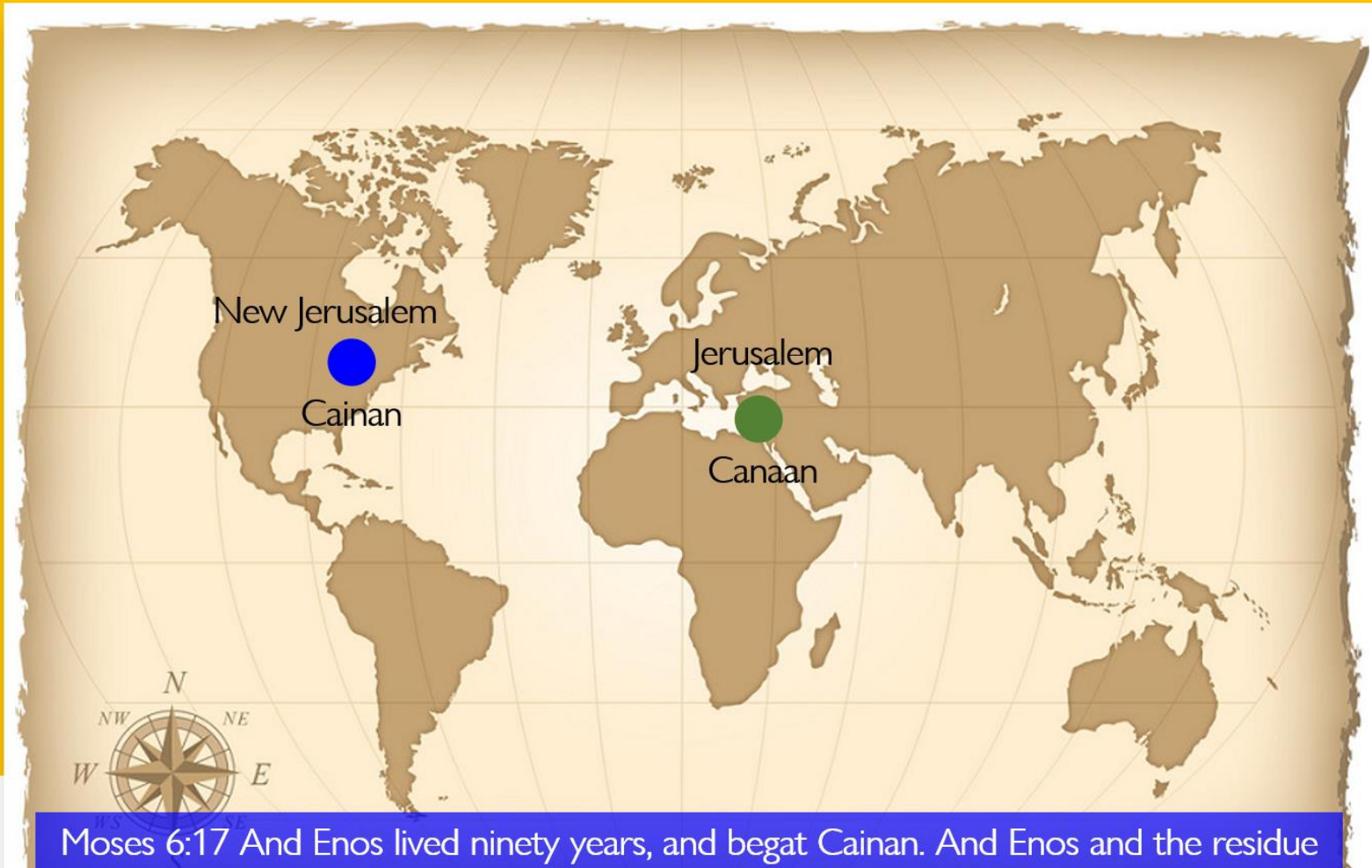
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“The most common question that is asked about mounds is, “How many exist?” In the 1800’s the Smithsonian sponsored many expeditions to identify mound sites across America. A map (shown below) was produced by Cyrus Thomas in 1894 in a Bureau of Ethnology book. They found approximately 100,000 mound sites, many with complexes containing 2 to 100 mounds. The figure of 100,000 mounds once existing—based on Cyrus Thomas map revealing 100,000 sites—is often cited by others, but that estimate is far, far too low. After visiting several thousand mounds and reviewing the literature, I am fairly certain that over 1,000,000 mounds once existed and that perhaps 100,000 still exist. Oddly, some new mound sites are discovered each year by archaeological surveys in remote areas. But in truth, a large majority of America’s mounds have been completely destroyed by farming, construction, looting, and deliberate total excavations” — Gregory L. Little, Ed.D., *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Native American Mounds & Earthworks*, Eagle Wing Books, Inc., Memphis, TN [2009].



1. Where is the Promised/Chosen Land, of the Book of Mormon?
2. Where is the Hill Cumorah where the last battles occurred?
3. Why does Book of Mormon Geography Matter?
4. Where is the Narrow Neck of Land?

## 2 Promised Lands



Moses 6:17 And Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan. And Enos and the residue of the people of God came out from the land, which was called Shulon, and dwelt in a land of promise, which he called after his own son, whom he had named Cainan.



# 1 Where is the Promised/Chosen Land, of the Book of Mormon?

## Ether 13:2-3

”For behold, they rejected all the words of Ether; for he truly told them of all things, from the beginning of man; and that **after the waters had receded from off the face of this land it became a choice land above all other lands, a chosen land of the Lord;** wherefore the Lord would have that all men should serve him who dwell upon the face thereof; And **that it was the place of the New Jerusalem,** which should come down out of heaven, and the holy sanctuary of the Lord.”

“I should like to say a few words about America.... **No land is without its beauty, no people without their virtues,** and I hope that you who come from elsewhere will pardon my saying a few words concerning my own native land, America. I know that she has problems. We have heard so much of them for so long. But **surely this is a good land, a choice land, a chosen land.** To me it is a miracle, a creation of the Almighty.” **Gordon B. Hinckley**

“**The Lord gave a divine promise to the ancient inhabitants of this favored country (the United States): ‘Behold, this is a choice land,** and whatsoever nation shall possess it shall be free from bondage, and from captivity, and from all other nations under heaven, if they will but serve the God of the land, who is Jesus Christ” (Ether 2:12). “**Our Heavenly Father inspired the leaders of...the United States of America,** that they might together, under His direction, having been raised up by God for the purpose, establish the Constitution of this country and...Bill of Rights, that by the year of our Lord 1805 **[there would be] a climate where our Heavenly Father could send into this period of mortality a choice spirit** who would be known as Joseph Smith, Jr.” **Monson, Thomas S., Teachings of Thomas S. Monson, 2011, pp. 14-15, 157-158**





**Cainan**

**Jerusalem  
Canaan**

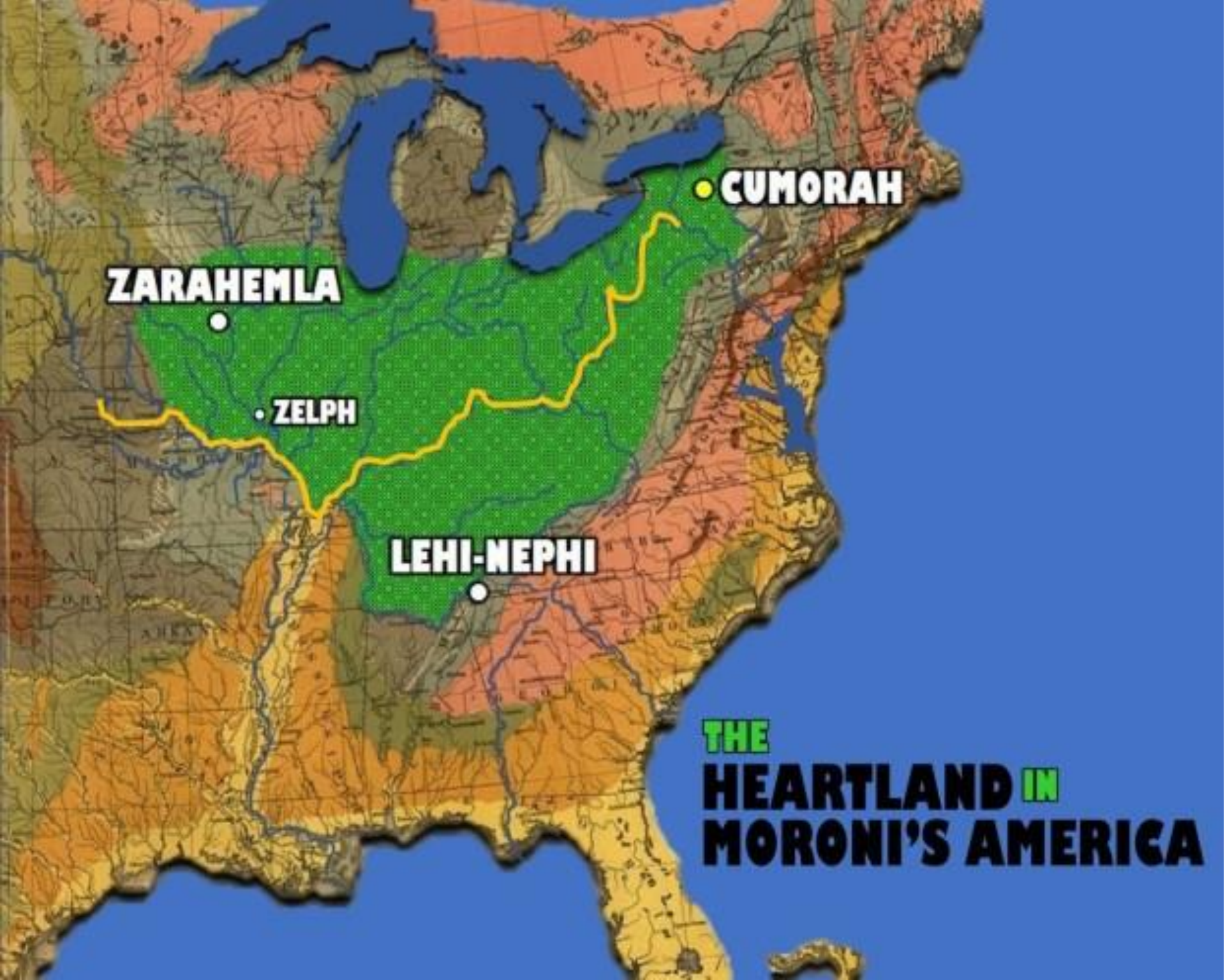


**"The final struggles between Nephites and Lamanites were waged in the vicinity of the Hill Cumorah, in what is now the State of New York,** resulting in the destruction of the Nephites as a nation, about 400 A.D. The last Nephite representative was Moroni, who, wandering for safety from place to place, daily expecting death from the victorious Lamanites, wrote the concluding parts of the Book of Mormon, and hid the record in Cumorah. It was this same Moroni who, as a resurrected being, gave the records into the hands of Joseph Smith in the present dispensation." *James Talmage Articles of Faith*

**"For many decades the Nephites retreated before their aggressive foes, making their way north-eastward through what is now the United States. About 400 A.D. the last great battle was fought near the hill Cumorah;** and the Nephite nation became extinct. The degenerate remnant of Lehi's posterity, the Lamanites or American Indians, have continued until this day. Moroni, the last of the Nephite prophets, **hid away the record of his people in the hill Cumorah,** whence it has been brought forth by divine direction in the current dispensation. That record is now before the world translated through the gift and power of God, and published to the edification of all nations, as the BOOK OF MORMON." *James Talmage, Jesus the Christ, p. 743*

"If Zeph, a righteous man, was fighting under a great prophet-general in the last battles between the Nephites and Lamanites; if that great prophet-general was known from the Rocky Mountains to "the Hill Cumorah or eastern sea," **then some of those battles, and evidently the final battles did take place within the borders of what is now the United States...** This being true, what would be more natural than that Moroni, like his father **Mormon, would deposit the plates in the land where the battles came to an end and the Nephites were destroyed?** This Moroni says he did, and from all the evidence in the Book of Mormon, augmented by the testimony of the Prophet Joseph Smith, **these final battles took place in the territory known as the United States and in the neighborhood of the Great Lakes and hills of Western New York.** And here Moroni found the resting place for the sacred instruments which had been committed to his care." *Joseph Fielding Smith, DS Volume 3*





**ZARAHEMLA**

**CUMORAH**

**ZELPH**

**LEHI-NEPHI**

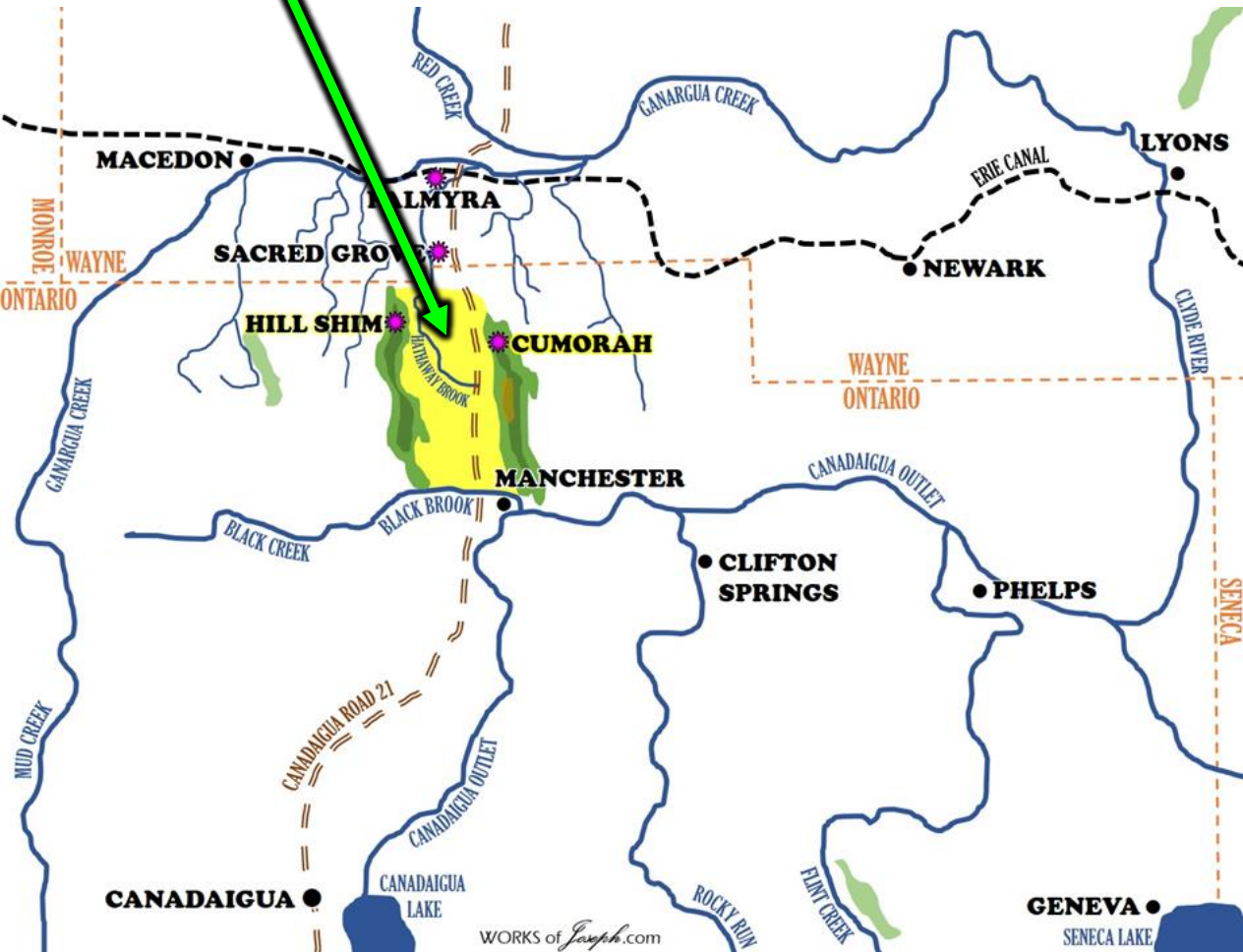
**THE  
HEARTLAND IN  
MORONI'S AMERICA**



# Hill Cumorah Fact

“At about one mile west rises another ridge of less height, running parallel with the former, leaving a beautiful vale between. The soil is of the first quality for the country, and under a state of cultivation, which gives a prospect at once imposing, **when one reflects on the fact, that here, between these hills, the entire power and national strength of both the Jaredites and Nephites were destroyed.** .....

By turning to the 529th and 530th pages of the Book of Mormon, you will read Mormon's account of the last great struggle of his people, as they were encamped round this hill Cumorah. In this valley fell the remaining strength and pride of a once powerful people, the Nephites—once so highly favored of the Lord, but at that time in darkness, doomed to suffer extermination by the hand of their barbarous and uncivilized brethren. From the top of this hill, Mormon, with a few others, after the battle, gazed with horror upon the mangled remains of those who, the day before, were filled with anxiety, hope, or doubt.”



**Oliver Cowdery's Letter VII Joseph Smith Papers July 1835, 1:155–159**

**Why does the geography matter?** Think of that question if we are speaking about Israel. **Does it matter where the Savior was born, or where the Biblical events happened? Yes.** At Mount Moriah where Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac, the Lord made a special covenant with Abraham. **The land around Mt Moriah was a covenant land** and God's people were given that covenant land as long as they are righteous. However, if they disobey the commandments, God's people will be swept off that sacred land. The Jews, Muslims, and Christians fight over control over this one piece of land why? Because it is a beautiful piece of real estate? No, because it is a covenant land.

In the same token what is the Promised Land spoken of in the Book of Mormon? **According to the Book of Mormon this Promised land must meet certain requirements to be the Promised Land.** 1. No Kings upon the land 2. Land choice above all other lands 3. Land of Liberty 4. Land where sacred record is kept 5. Land kept from the knowledge of other nations. 6. Land of the New Jerusalem 7. Gentiles to scatter and afflict the Remnant. 8. The place where the Marvelous Work and Wonder happened. These are only 8 of 36 prophecies and promises in the Book of Mormon so it makes sense to me that the USA is the Promised Land. Not Canada, Mexico, England, or South America.

**Just as Israel is a Promised Land forever, so the USA is a Promised Land forever and it does matter where this Promised Land is located.** It is in the Heartland of North America. The Nephites practiced the Law of Moses. To do this they needed the following plants and animals to keep the Law. Sheep, Rams, Goats, Bullocks, Doves, Wheat, Barley, and Wine. None of these animals or items are found anywhere in Mesoamerica during the Nephites times, only in the USA. So, the land and where things happen is critical to us and especially to the Lord.

**If we in the church cannot even decide among ourselves where the Book of Mormon happened, how confusing is that to our youth and adults?** The Anti-Mormons love the idea that we don't even know where our sacred scriptures happened. There are over 100 theories of where the Book of Mormon happened, including, Baja, Chile, Malaysia, Honduras, Peru, etc.

**I know the Brethren of the Church take a neutral position on the geography of the Book of Mormon.** There are many CES instructors and other BYU professors that teach the Two Cumorah theory or Mesoamerican theory, and they say a second Hill Cumorah exists somewhere in Mexico, but they aren't sure where. I believe there is only one Hill Cumorah which is associated with the Heartland Model of the Book of Mormon. For you and I to take a neutral stand is not required. The Lord told us to read and study, and in the promise to Moroni, He said we may know the truth of ALL things, and that would include knowing the location of the Book of Mormon events. **I believe knowledge of the Spirit and of the head, are both important in learning truth. I used to believe in the Mesoamerican theory, but after research and prayer I believe in the Heartland Model.**



# Where is the Narrow Neck of Land?



# Niagara Etymology

**Hn. William Bright**, in *Native American Place Names of the United States* (2004), pg. 325, says **"Niagara" comes from an Iroquoian language, and that the word means "neck"**. So my suggested wording of the intro would now be "from Onguiaahra or Ongiara, a word in an Iroquoian language, which probably **meant either "strait" or "neck" or "bisected land"**", though it is sometimes said to mean "thunder of the water"." --**Miskwito 02:14, 27 March 2007 (UTC)**

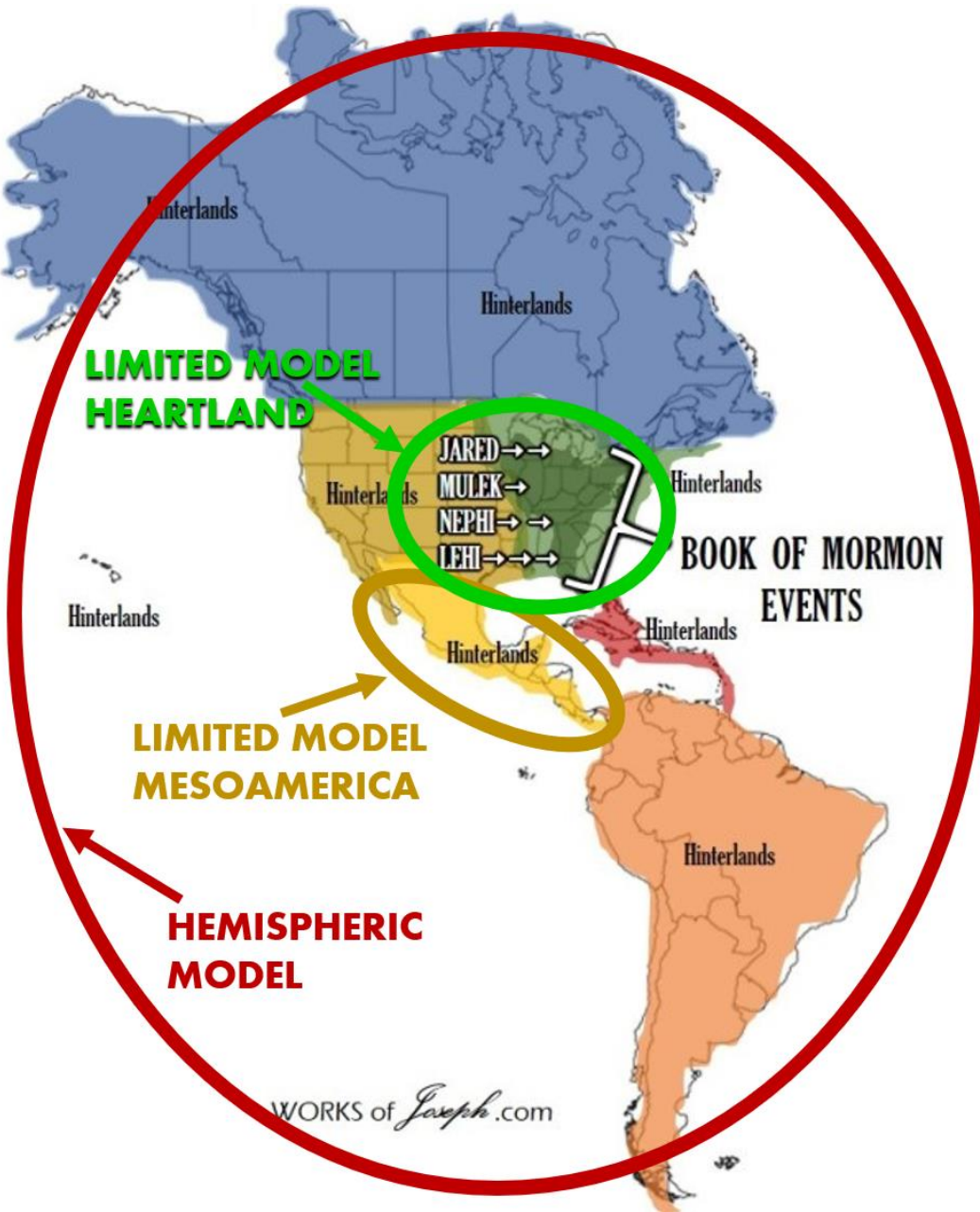
**Wikipedia says:** According to **George R. Stewart**, it comes from the name of an Iroquois town called "Ongniaahra", **meaning "point of land cut in two"**.. (Niagara Falls) **Wikipedia says:** **The name "Niagara" is said to originate from an Iroquois word "Onguiaahra" meaning "The Strait."** **from an Indian word meaning "bisected bottom lands"** [4] **On Sanson's Map of Canada**, published in Paris in 1657, the Falls went under the name of "Ongiara". ... The name Niagara is of Indian extraction and means **"thunder of the water"**. [5] There's a lot of variation here, but it seems to me that the most commonly-cited origins generally have **something to do with water cutting through land ("the strait"/"bisected land"/"point of land cut in two").**



# Hemispheric Model or Limited Model?

Moroni's America, Jonathan Neville Page 20-21 said...

“When we look on a globe, we immediately think of Panama as a narrow neck of land connecting North and South America. However, scholars have pointed out that a hemispheric interpretation of Book of Mormon geography contradicts the text; the distances are simply too great.



Instead, scholars have proposed a more limited territory. Two articles in the 1984 Ensign introduced the limited model of Book of Mormon geography in Mesoamerica to a wide LDS audience. The author of those articles, John Sorenson, has also written that "A key feature of any geographical correlation must include a narrow neck of land connecting two sizable land masses... Only one geographical correlation avoids fatal flaws: The narrow neck of land was the Isthmus of Tehuantepec." Sorenson, *Mormon's Codex*, pp. 21-22

# Where is the Mesoamerican Narrow Neck of Land?

## Two Mesoamerican Theories?

By car 4 hr. 37 minutes  
Walking 141 Miles

1

The Isthmus of Tehuantepec

Pacific Ocean

2

Darien Gap/  
Panama



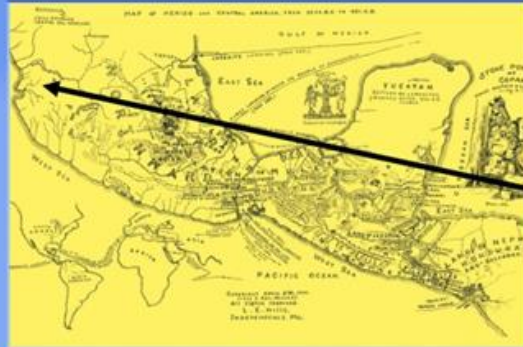


Their Meso Arrow Pointing  
 "Northward" See Red Circle



# The 45° Evolution of a Theory & Map

1917 L.E. Hills  
 RLDS Map



Ancient American  
 Setting for the Book of  
 Mormon Sorensen 1985



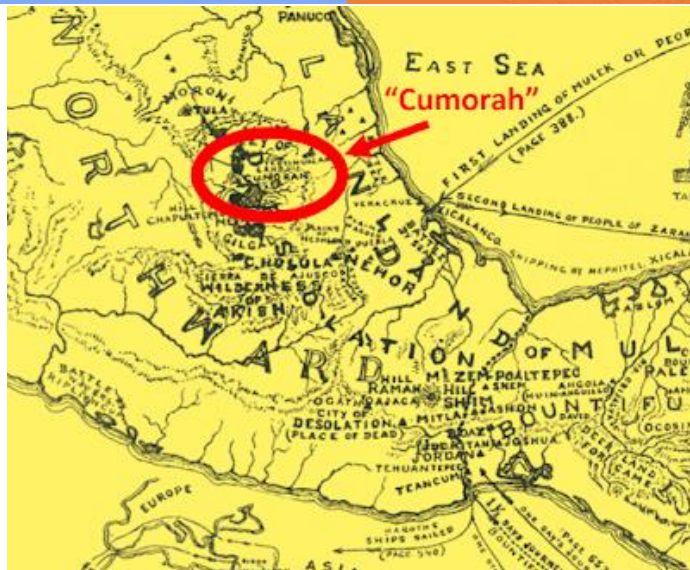
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 Sorensen 2013



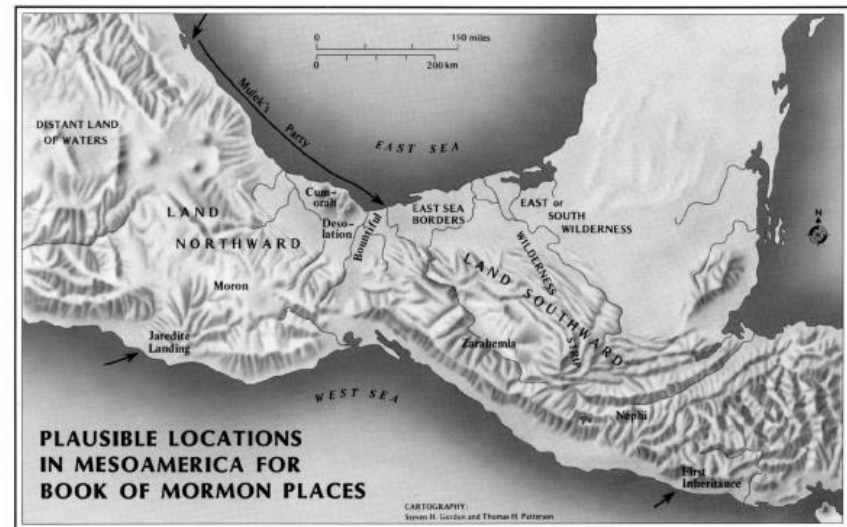
2020 Mesoamerican  
 Fantasy Map



Did the Land Move, OR the Theory?



Yellow Map by L.E. Hills RLDS 1917



Map by Steven H. Gordon and Thomas M Patterson

“One of the most common questions asked about the North American setting is, “what about the narrow neck of land?” People have been taught to think the Book of Mormon describes two large land masses connected by the “narrow neck of land.” The hourglass shape has been depicted in many LDS publications.” Moroni’s America pg. 20





DESOLATION

LAND NORTHWARD

SEA WEST

SEA EAST

LAND SOUTHWARD

BOUNTIFUL

ZARAHEMLA

JERUSHON

MANTI

NEPHI

FIRST INHERITANCE

Angola

City by the Sea

Antiparah

Cumoni

Zeezrom

Amulon

Helam

Ishmael

Ani-Anti

Jerusalem

Nephi

Lemuel

Shimnilom

Morianton

Lehi

Nephihah

Moroni

Omner

Gid

Mulek

Bountiful

Noah

Ammonihah

SIDOM

Desolation

Boaz

Mancum

Jordar

Nehor

Moron

JOSHUA

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JUDEA

MINOY

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MIDDONI

SHEMLON

MORONI

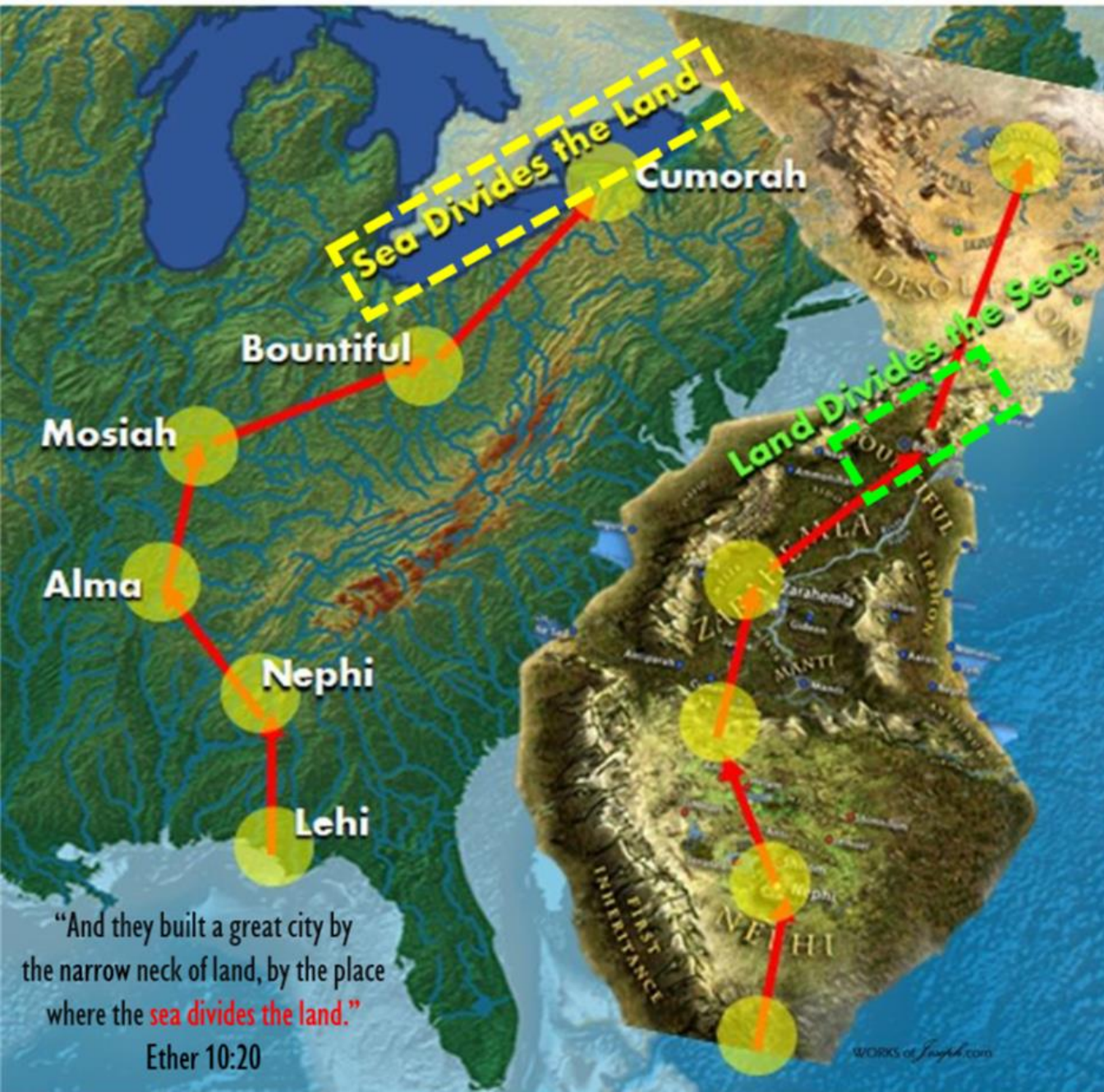
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# THE MESOAMERICAN FANTASY MAP

ETHER 10:20



Our Heartland Map has always been properly aligned North and South, with the **SEA** dividing the **LAND**

Mesoamerica's map was aligned East and West, but now has been turned North and South. Their **LAND** divides the **SEA** which is not what Ether 10:20 says.



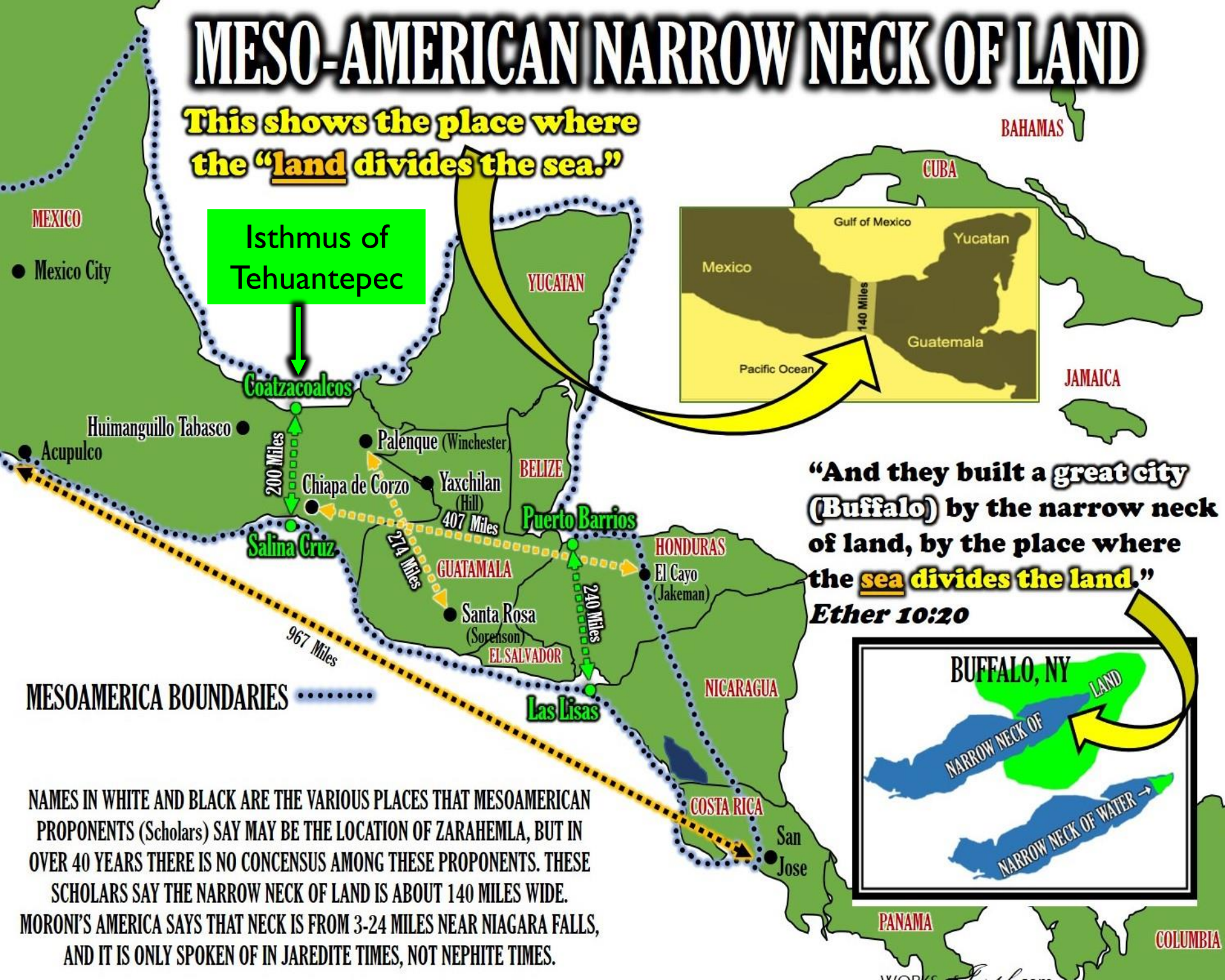
# MESO-AMERICAN NARROW NECK OF LAND

This shows the place where the **“land divides the sea.”**

Isthmus of Tehuantepec



**“And they built a great city (Buffalo) by the narrow neck of land, by the place where the sea divides the land.”**  
*Ether 10:20*



MESOAMERICA BOUNDARIES

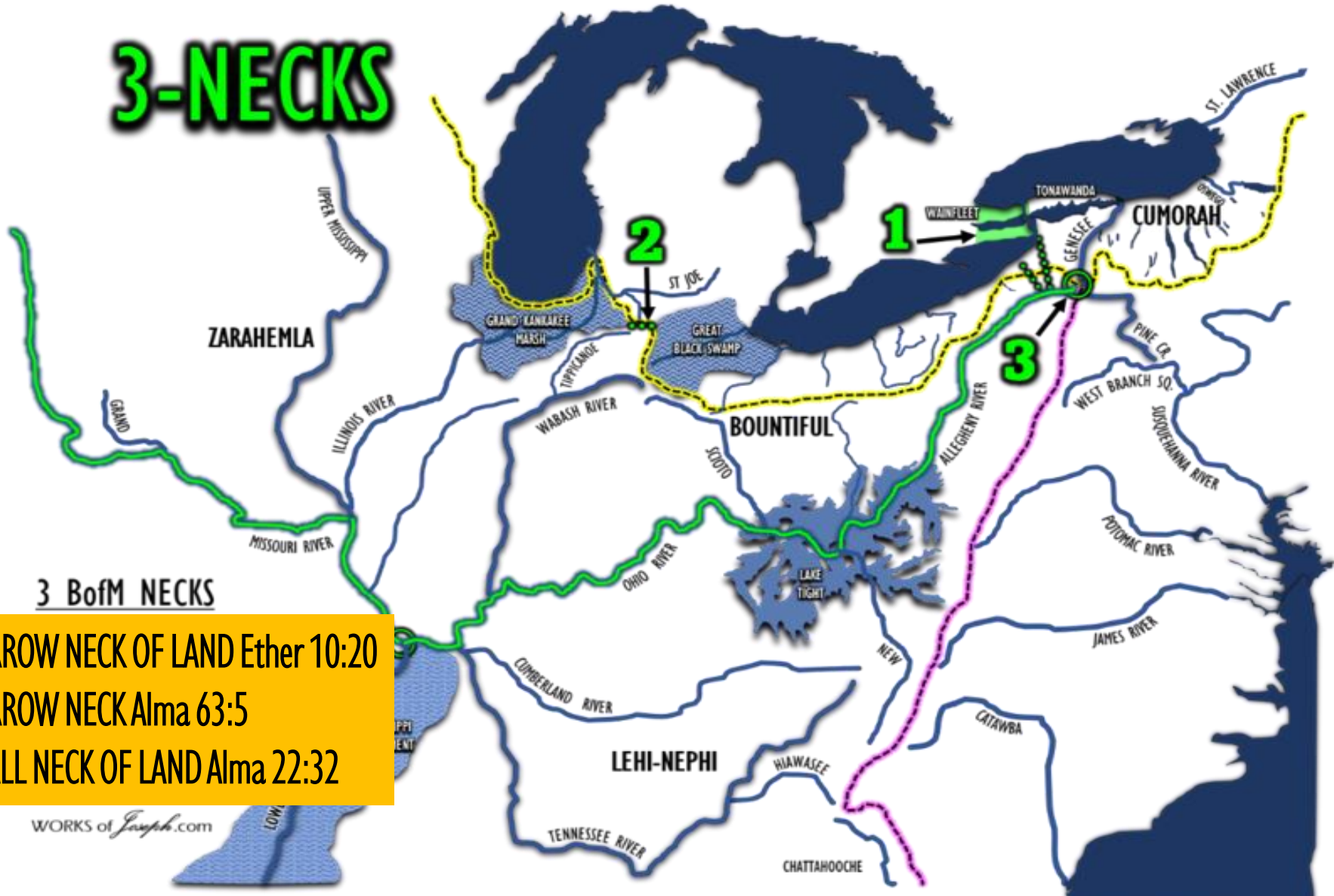
NAMES IN WHITE AND BLACK ARE THE VARIOUS PLACES THAT MESOAMERICAN PROPONENTS (Scholars) SAY MAY BE THE LOCATION OF ZARAHMELA, BUT IN OVER 40 YEARS THERE IS NO CONCENSUS AMONG THESE PROPONENTS. THESE SCHOLARS SAY THE NARROW NECK OF LAND IS ABOUT 140 MILES WIDE. MORONI'S AMERICA SAYS THAT NECK IS FROM 3-24 MILES NEAR NIAGARA FALLS, AND IT IS ONLY SPOKEN OF IN JAREDITE TIMES, NOT NEPHITE TIMES.



# How Many Necks Are There?

There are 3 unique mentions in the Book of Mormon about **NECKS!** All in different locations

## 3-NECKS



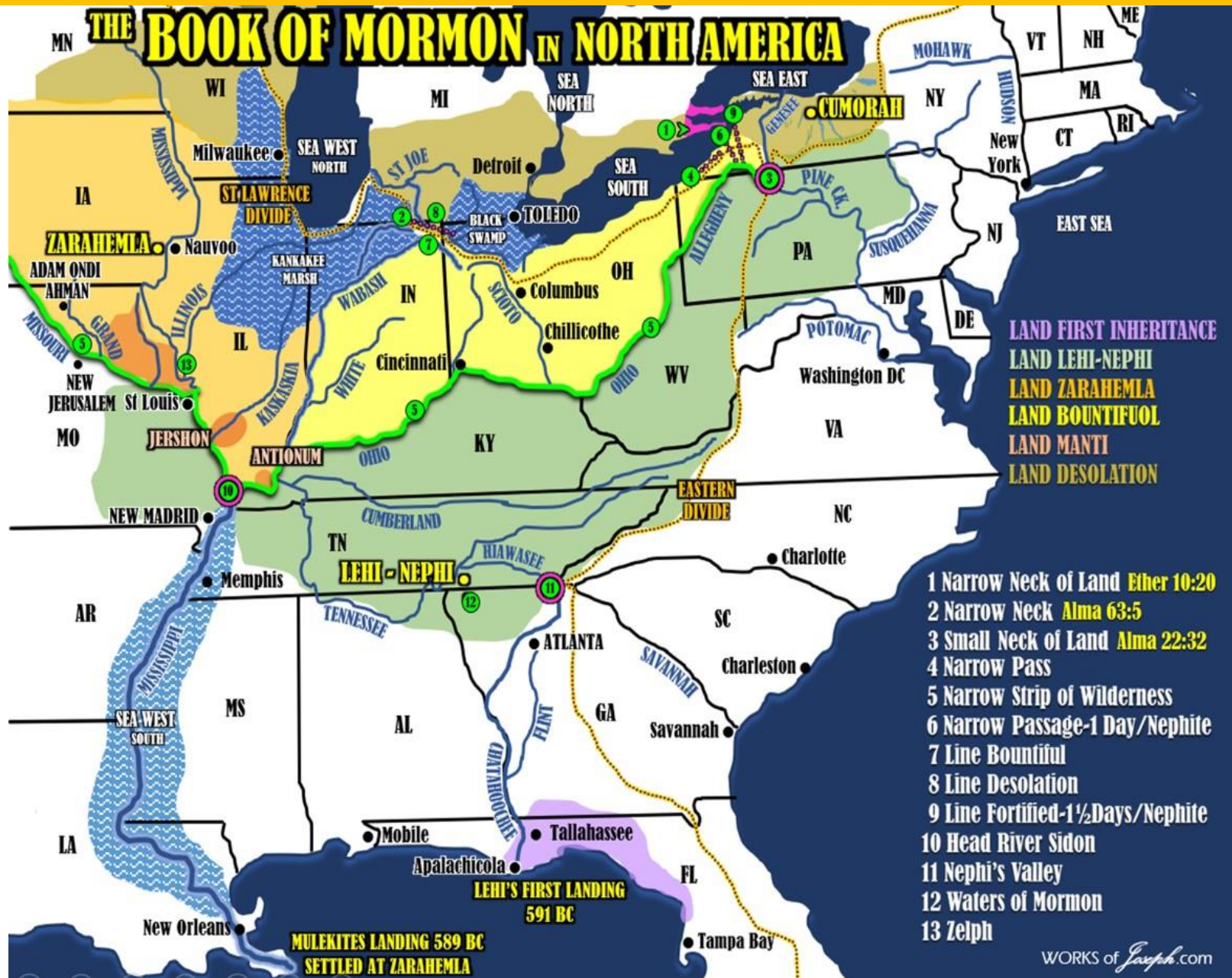
3 BofM NECKS

NARROW NECK OF LAND Ether 10:20

NARROW NECK Alma 63:5

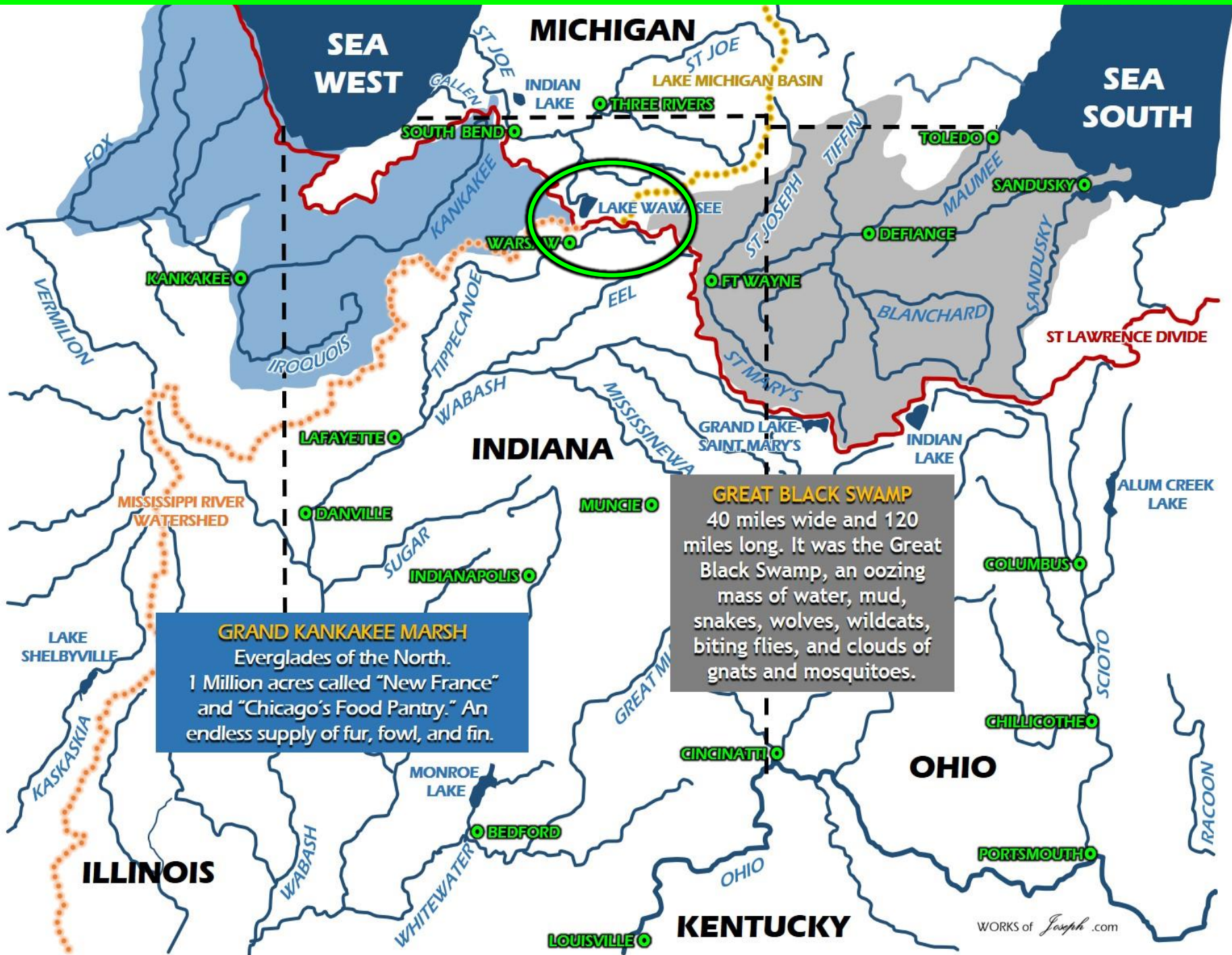
SMALL NECK OF LAND Alma 22:32

# How Many Necks, Lines, Passages, Passes, Heads and Strips?





# Narrow Neck/Line Bountiful



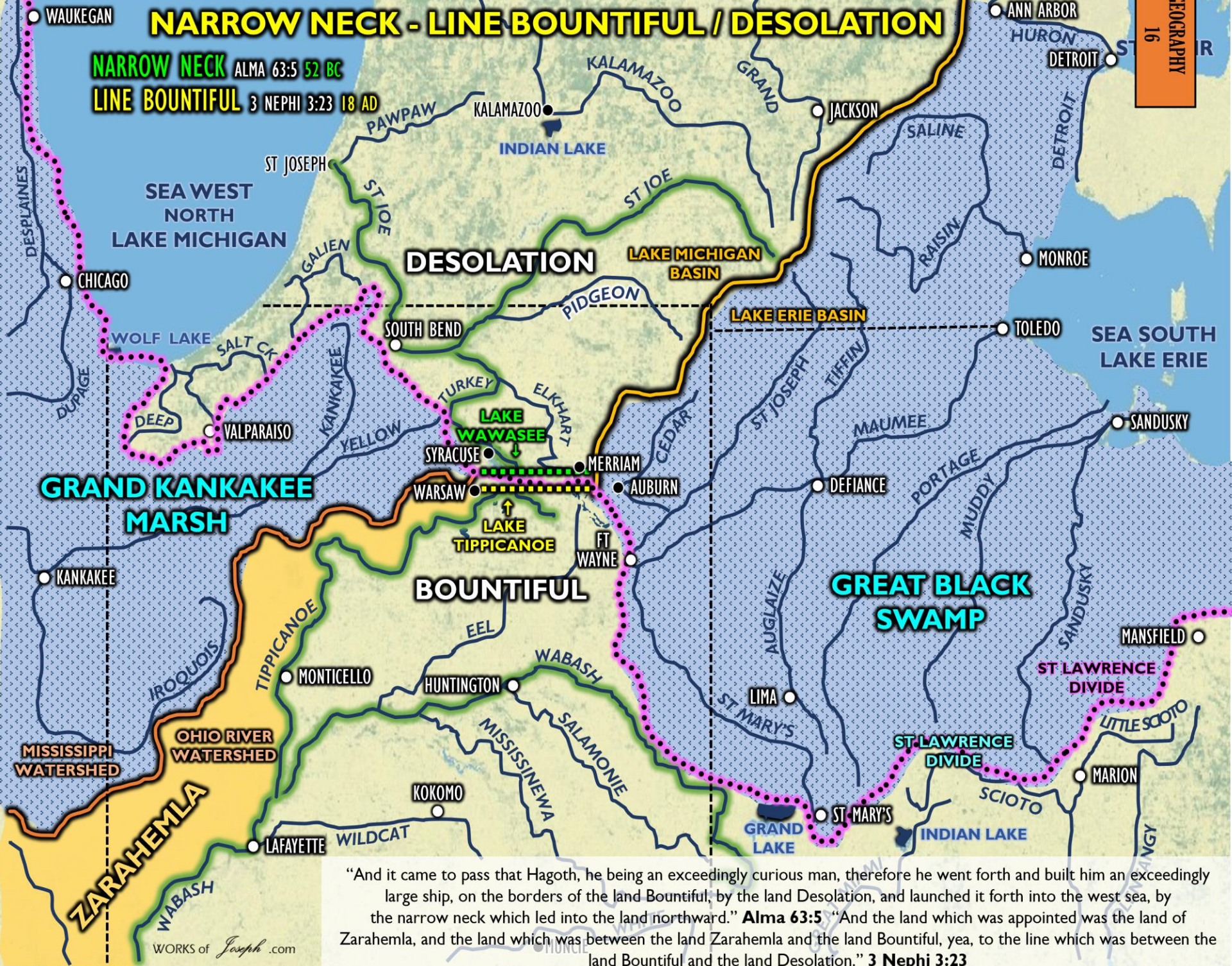
**GRAND KANKAKEE MARSH**  
Everglades of the North.  
1 Million acres called "New France"  
and "Chicago's Food Pantry." An  
endless supply of fur, fowl, and fin.

**GREAT BLACK SWAMP**  
40 miles wide and 120  
miles long. It was the Great  
Black Swamp, an oozing  
mass of water, mud,  
snakes, wolves, wildcats,  
biting flies, and clouds of  
gnats and mosquitoes.



# NARROW NECK - LINE BOUNTIFUL / DESOLATION

**NARROW NECK** ALMA 63:5 52 BC  
**LINE BOUNTIFUL** 3 NEPHI 3:23 18 AD



**DESOLATION**

**BOUNTIFUL**

**GRAND KANKAKEE MARSH**

**GREAT BLACK SWAMP**

“And it came to pass that Hagoth, he being an exceedingly curious man, therefore he went forth and built him an exceedingly large ship, on the borders of the land Bountiful, by the land Desolation, and launched it forth into the west sea, by the narrow neck which led into the land northward.” **Alma 63:5** “And the land which was appointed was the land of Zarahemla, and the land which was between the land Zarahemla and the land Bountiful, yea, to the line which was between the land Bountiful and the land Desolation.” **3 Nephi 3:23**

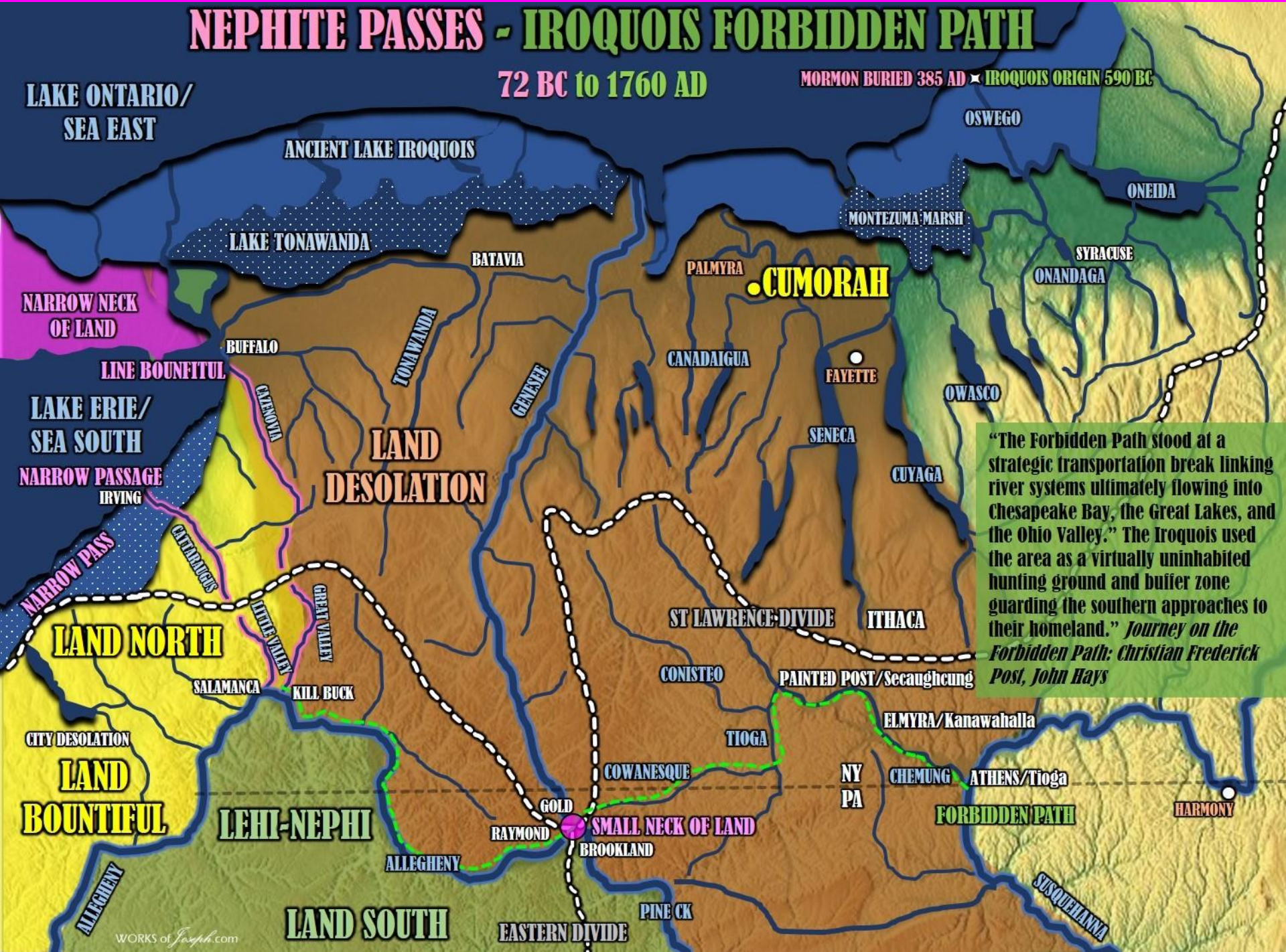


# Small Neck of Land

## NEPHITE PASSES - IROQUOIS FORBIDDEN PATH

72 BC to 1760 AD

MORMON BURIED 385 AD ✦ IROQUOIS ORIGIN 590 BC



“The Forbidden Path stood at a strategic transportation break linking river systems ultimately flowing into Chesapeake Bay, the Great Lakes, and the Ohio Valley.” The Iroquois used the area as a virtually uninhabited hunting ground and buffer zone guarding the southern approaches to their homeland.” *Journey on the Forbidden Path: Christian Frederick Post, John Hays*



# SMALL NECK OF LAND

## ALMA 22:32



Distance between the head of the Genesee River, the Susquehanna, and the head of the Allegheny River, is 2-4 miles. This land area is a perfect location to secure, as it is a place to access three rivers flowing to different destinations, or a "Small Neck of Land." Because of the convergence of the two Continental Divides, the Genesee River flows north to the St. Lawrence, the Allegheny River flows southwest to the Gulf of Mexico, and the Susquehanna River flows southeast to the Atlantic Ocean. "And now, it was only the distance of a day and a half's journey for a Nephite, on the line Bountiful and the land Desolation, from the east to the west sea; ...there being a small neck of land between the land northward and the land southward." Alma 22:32



# A DAY AND A HALF FOR A NEPHITE

LINE FORTIFIED

“ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF LAKE ERIE, THERE IS A SERIES OF OLD FORTIFICATIONS, RUNNING FROM THE CATTERAGUS CREEK TO THE PEANNYSYLVANIA LINE, A DISTANCE OF FIFTY MILES.”

*Clinton, De Witt. A Memoir On The Antiquities Of The Western Parts Of The State Of New-York*

Alma 22:32 “And now, it was only the distance of a day and a half’s journey for a Nephite, on the line Bountiful and the land Desolation, from the east to the west sea; and thus the land of Nephi and the land of Zarahemla were nearly surrounded by water, there being a *small neck of land* between the land northward and the land southward.”

DESOLATION

A DAY AND A HALF FOR A NEPHITE/LINE FORTIFIED

66 MILES

1 1/2

1 44 MILES

BOUNTIFUL LAND NORTH

SALAMANCA KILL BUCK

2.7 MILES

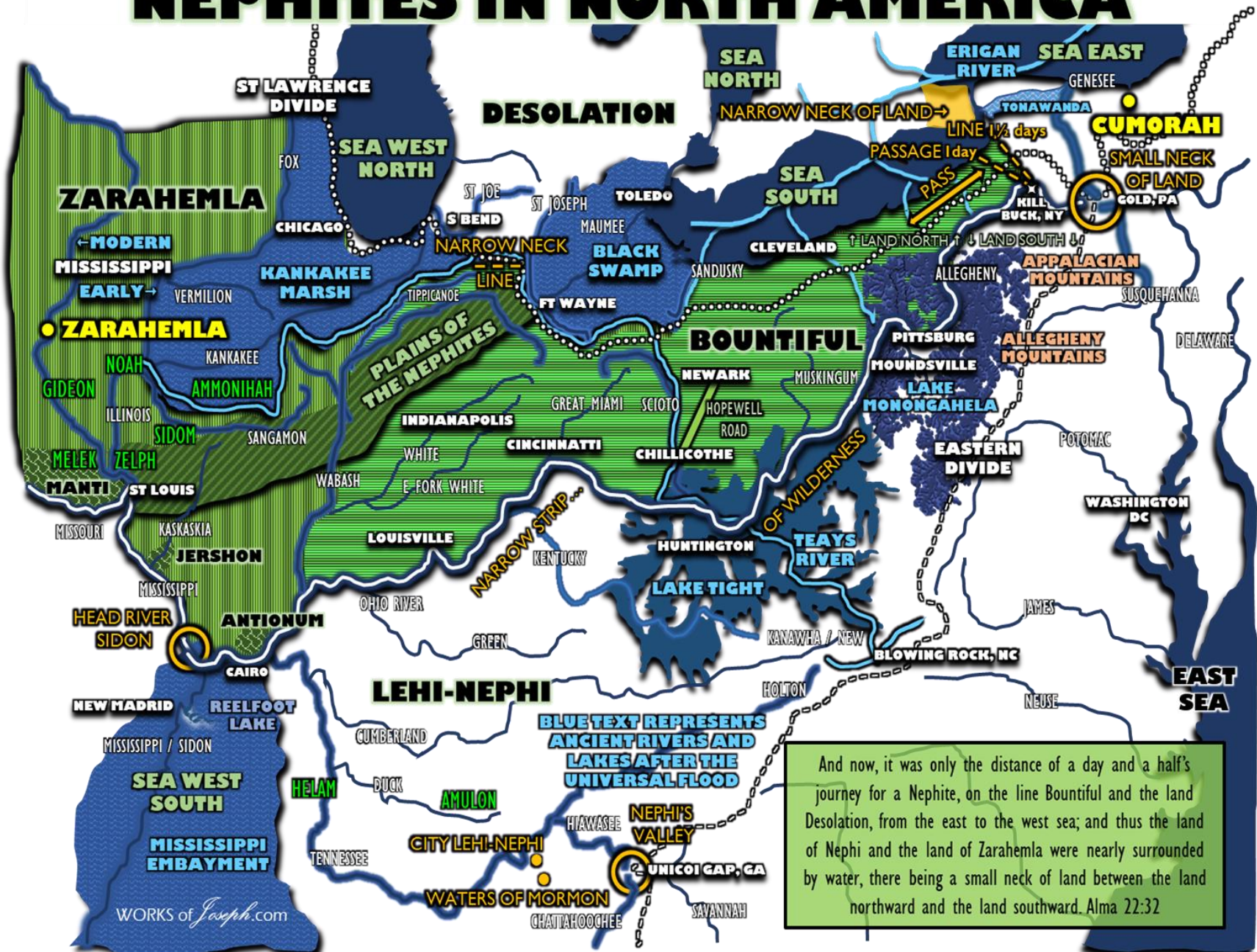
LAND SOUTH

Helaman 4:7 “And there they did fortify against the Lamanites, from the west sea, even unto the east; *it being a day’s journey for a Nephite*, on the line which they had fortified and stationed their armies to defend their north country.”



# Nearly Surrounded by Water

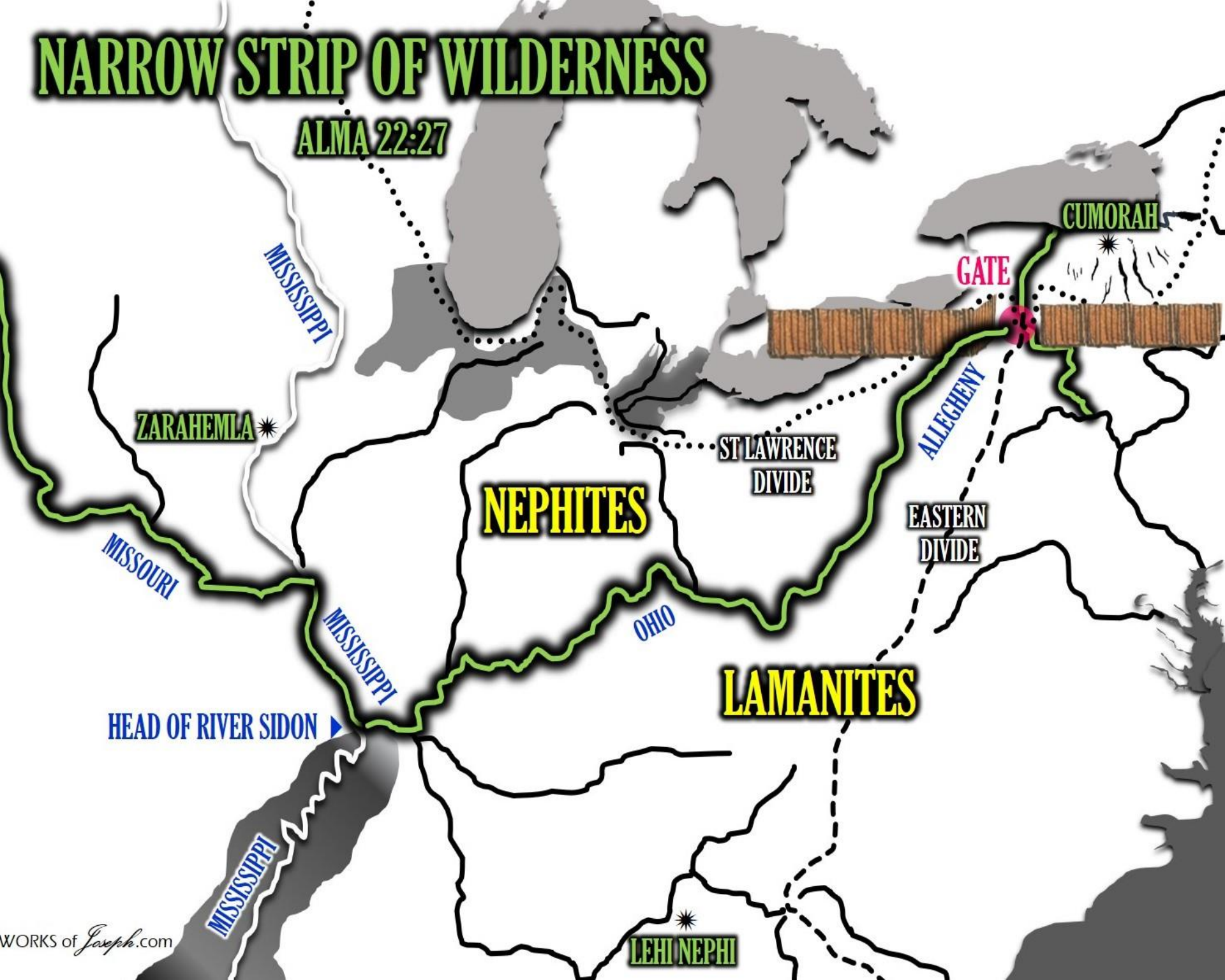
## NEPHITES IN NORTH AMERICA





# NARROW STRIP OF WILDERNESS

ALMA 22:27



CUMORAH

GATE

ZARAHEMLA

NEPHITES

ST LAWRENCE  
DIVIDE

EASTERN  
DIVIDE

LAMANITES

LEHI NEPHI

HEAD OF RIVER SIDON

# Narrow Neck of Land- Deep Dive

“And they built a **great city** by **the narrow neck of land**, by the place where the sea divides the land.”

*Ether 10:20*

SEA NORTH

SEA EAST

HAMILTON, OT

← Narrow Neck of Land

BUFFALO, NY

SEA SOUTH

Narrow Neck of Water

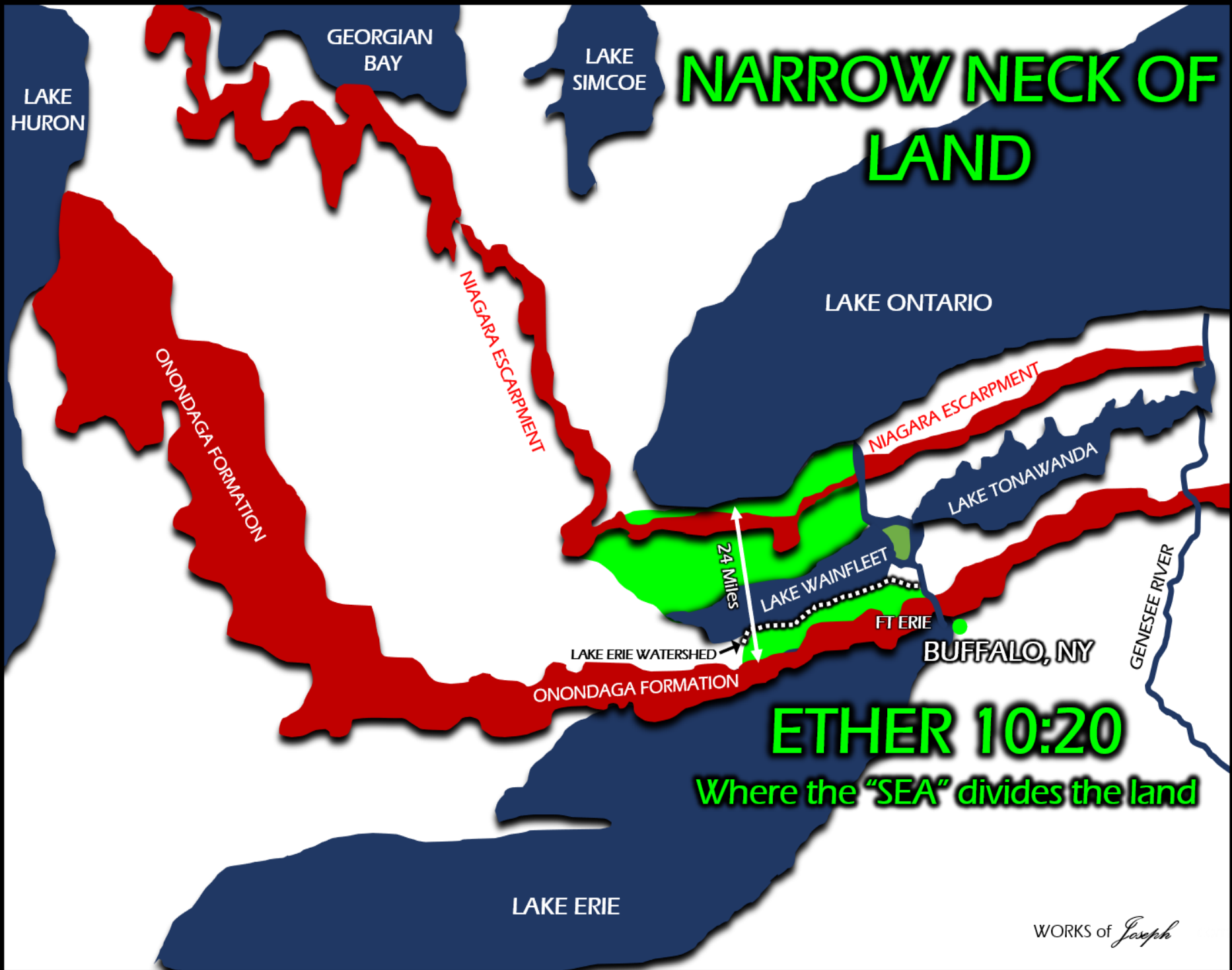
BLACK SWAMP

**NOT THE**

**“NARROW NECK (OF WATER).”**

Narrow Neck of Water

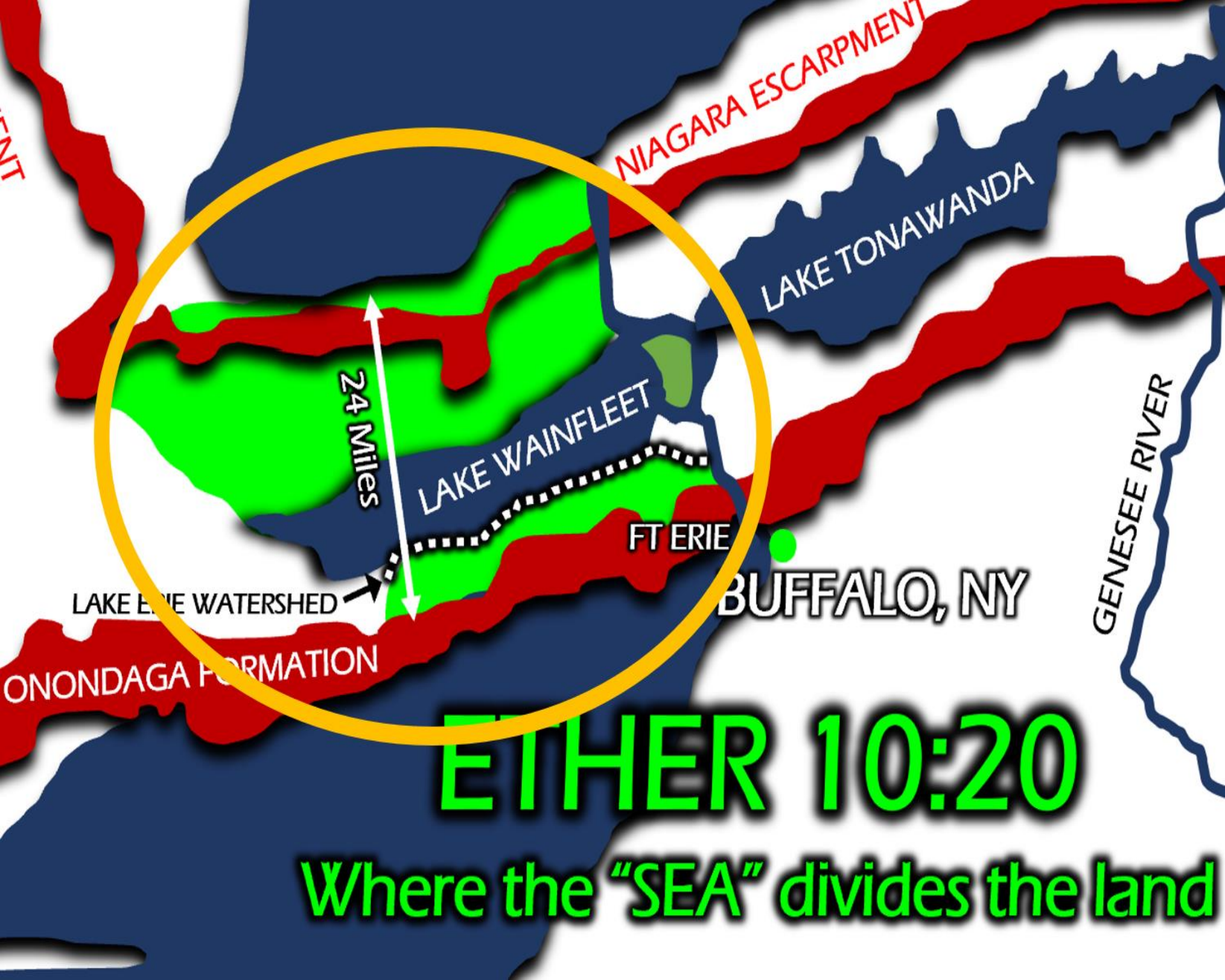




# NARROW NECK OF LAND

## ETHER 10:20

Where the "SEA" divides the land



NIAGARA ESCARPMENT

LAKE TONAWANDA

LAKE WAINFLEET

24 Miles

FT ERIE

BUFFALO, NY

GENESEE RIVER

LAKE ERIE WATERSHED

ONONDAGA FORMATION

**EITHER 10:20**

**Where the "SEA" divides the land**



# NARROW NECK OF LAND

ETHER 10:20

## WATERSHED DRAINAGES

LAKE ONTARIO SEA EAST

"It may be surprising to realize that the term "narrow neck of land" is used only once in the entire Book of Mormon. (Ether 10:20). Many think this term is the same as found in Alma 22:32 that says "a small neck of land". (Narrow doesn't mean small). Besides, the narrow neck in Mesoamerica is over 140 miles wide. No location in Central America is surrounded by water because at both ends there are enormous continents. In North America, both the land of Zarahemla and the land of Nephi are nearly surrounded by water, with a small neck of land between them." Moroni's America page 21-22

The "Narrow Neck of Land" is a term from the Jaredite record. It makes sense to look for archaeology in Jaredite times.



CITY OF HAMILTON

TOWN OF GRIMSBY

TOWN OF LINCOLN

CITY OF ST CATHARINES

TOWN OF NIAGARA ON THE LAKE

TOWN OF NIAGARA FALLS

TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN

LAKE ONTARIO DRAINAGE

NIAGARA DRAINAGE

TOWN OF PELLHAM

CITY OF WELLAND

HALDIMAND COUNTY

LAKE ERIE DRAINAGE

NARROW NECK OF LAND

TOWNSHIP OF WAINFLEET

PORT COLBORNE

GRAND ISLAND

TOWN OF FT ERIE

BUFFALO, NY "GREAT CITY"

### NIAGARA PENINSULA ARCHAEOLOGICAL 3050 BC TO 850 BC

- ◆ McIntyre- Evans (AfGt-90) Multi-Component Site- Port Colborne, Ontario 3050-2050 BC
- ★ Meadow Heights 1 (AfGt-89) Genesee Camp- Port Colborne, Ontario 2050 – 850 BC
- ▲ Canada Starch 1 (AfGt-44) Lithic Scatter- Port Colborne, Ontario 1650-1550 BC
- Ravazzollo (AgGt-110) Lithic Scatter- Pelham, Ontario 3000-1650 BC
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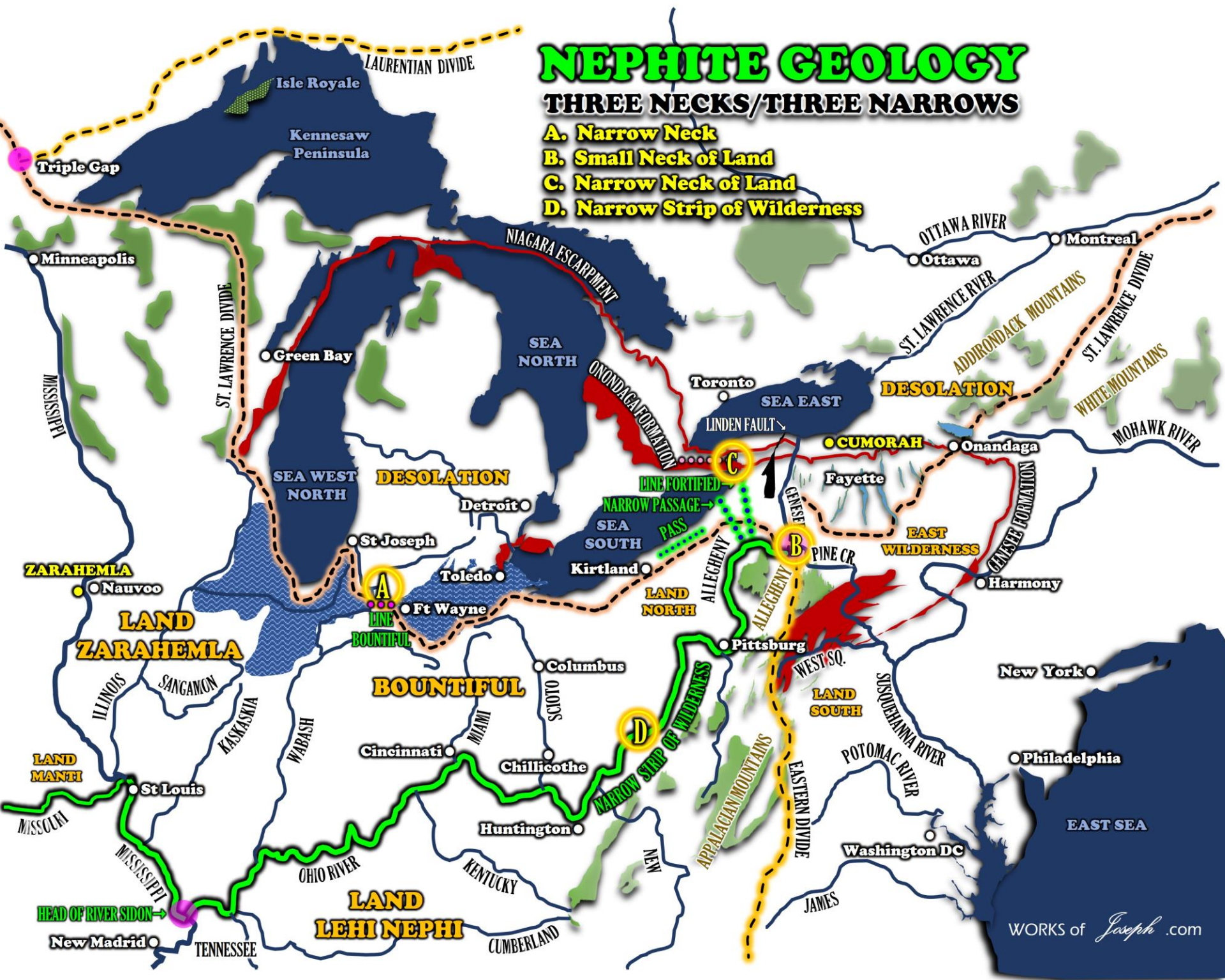
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# NEPHITE GEOLOGY

## THREE NECKS/THREE NARROWS

- A. Narrow Neck
- B. Small Neck of Land
- C. Narrow Neck of Land
- D. Narrow Strip of Wilderness











Land Northward

Land of Zarahemla

Land Mulek

Land Bountiful

ZARAHEMLA

CUMORAH

PLAINS OF THE NEPHITES

NEPHITES

NARROW STRIP OF WILDERNESS

LAMANITES

Land of Lehi-Nephi

Land Southward

Land of Nephi

Land of First Inheritance

LEHI-NEPHI

# BASIC TERRITORIES OF THE BOOK OF MORMON

LEHI'S LANDING



# Find Joseph Smith's New Jerusalem/Zion

The whole of America is Zion itself from  
north to south (Black Circle?)



The whole of America is Zion itself from  
north to south (Yellow Circle?)



New Jerusalem = Missouri

D&C 84:3-4

D&C 28:9

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A of F 1:10

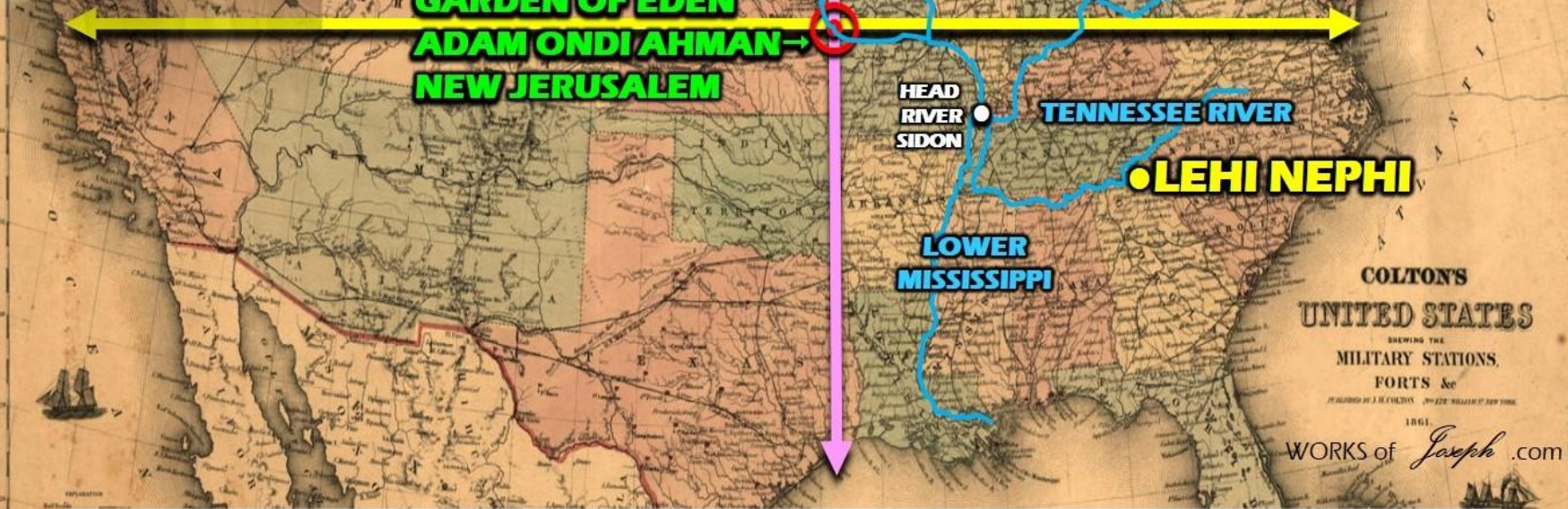
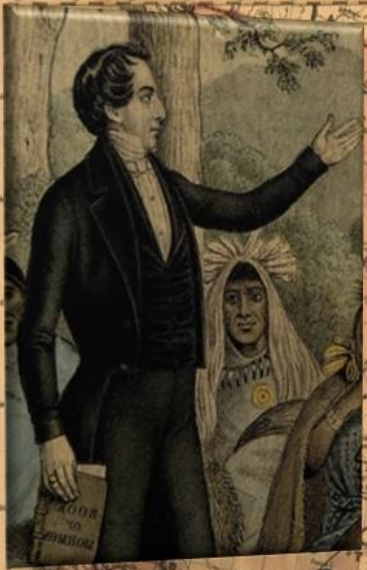
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*President Joseph Smith's  
Remarks--The Whole of America  
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Section Six 1843-44, p.362*



# CENTER OF AMERICA

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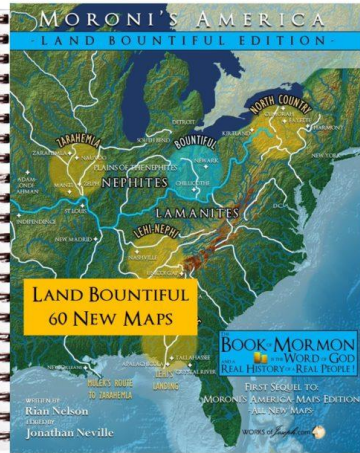
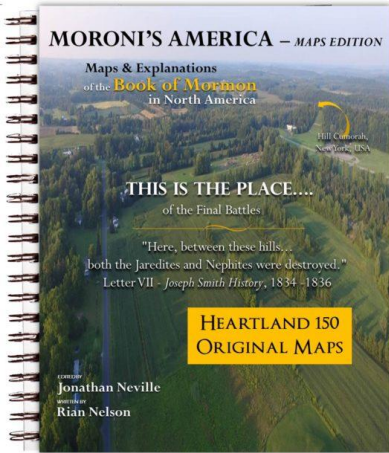


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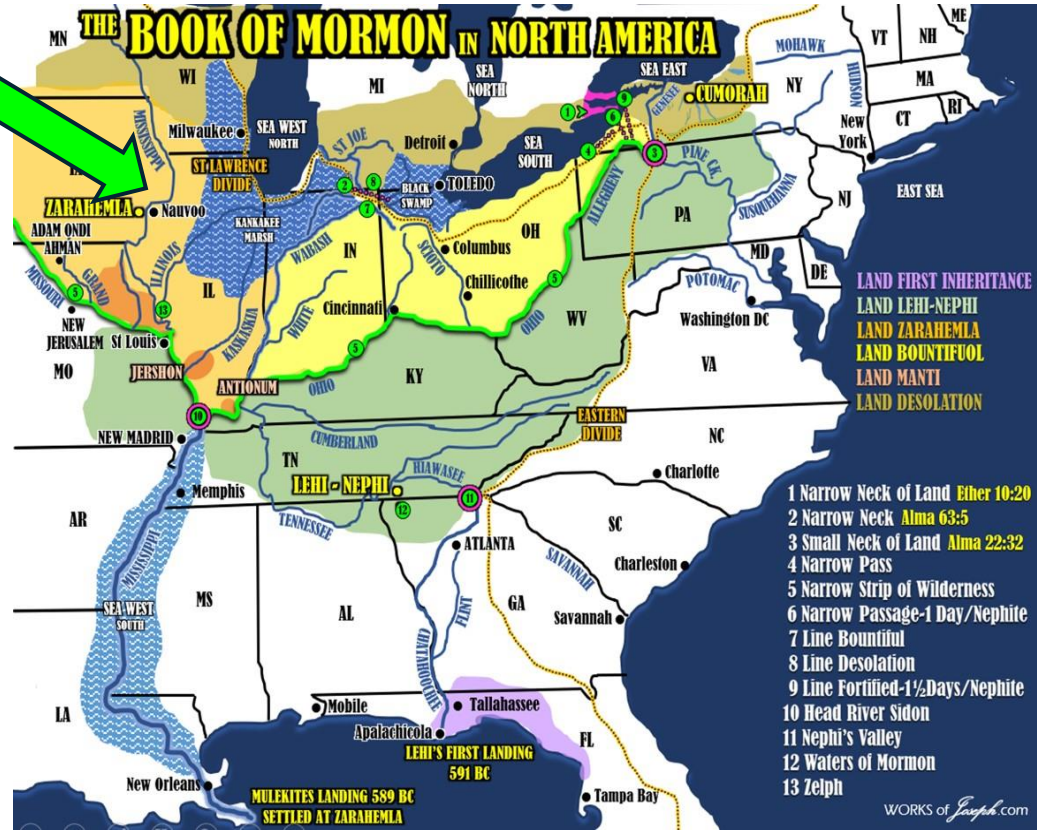
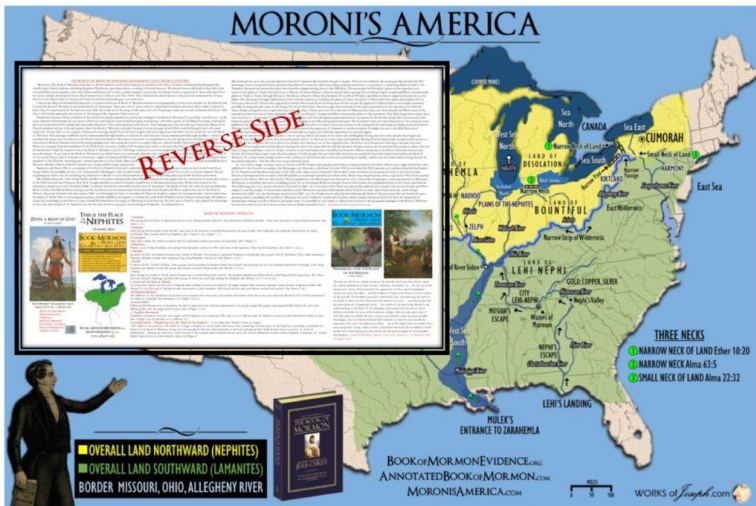
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